GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3300
ANSWERED ON:06.09.2007
VACANT POSTS IN RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a ban on fresh recruitment in Railways;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) if so, the number of posts lying vacant and since when these posts are lying vacant, Zone-wise;

(d) whether due to non-filling up of vacant posts the extra burden are being enforced on the existing staff resulted compromising safety and security of passengers; and

(e) if so, the time by when the final decision is likely to be taken to fill up vacant posts?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (e) A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3300 BY SHRI ANANDRAO V. ADSUL & SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 06.9.2007 REGARDING VACANT POSTS IN RAILWAYS.

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Zone-wise position of vacancies as on 30.6.2007 is as follows:

1. Central Railway	13274
2. Eastern Railway	13153
3. East Coast Railway	8243
4. East Central Railway	14227
5. Northern Railway	17118
6. North Central Railway	8671
7. North Eastern Railway	3370
8. Northeast Frontier Railway	8876
9. North Western Railway	8138
10. Southern Railway	7472
11. South Central Railway	10601
12. South Eastern Railway	12462
13. South East Central Railway	8591
14. South Western Railway	6264
15. Western Railway	7698
16. West Central Railway	9519

Occurrence & filling up of vacancies is a continuous process. While a few vacancies are likely to exist in this continuous process at any point of time, the policy of the Government is to fill up the vacancies promptly as per procedure. Duration of existence of each vacancy is not maintained.

(d) No extra burden is being enforced on the exiting staff thereby compromising with the safety standards. Desired optimum output is achieved by employing requisite number of staff and adopting new technologies.

(e) General Managers of zonal Railways are already empowered to assess the requirement and get the same filled up from time to time by placing indents on Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) in case of Group 'C' categories. For Group 'D' requirement, the recruitment is done by Railways themselves.